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6/9/03***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Kazuo Nagai et al.

Title: NOVEL GENE

Appl. No.: 09/786,474

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Examiner: Gabriele E. Bugalsky

Art Unit: 1853

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

The extension fee for response within the third month is \$930.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this fee of \$930.00 and any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

May 19, 2003

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